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Title of the Invention: **A PACKAGE FOR A VAGINAL RING**

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated ^{7/17/01} rejecting claims 1-7, the claims presently in the application.

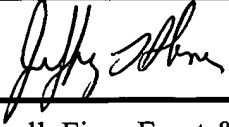
An extension of time for three (3) months is also requested.

Enclosed is a check for \$1,240.00, covering the fee for the Notice of Appeal (\$320.00) and a three month extension of time (\$920.00). The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2135. An additional copy of this Notice is enclosed for that purpose.

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